

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1177

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

**Steven M. Walsh**

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to establishing a tuition free program for teachers and paraprofessionals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Steven M. Walsh	11th Essex
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
John D. Keenan	7th Essex
Robert L. Hedlund	Plymouth and Norfolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1199 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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### **AN ACT RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A TUITION FREE PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS AND PARAPROFESSIONALS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority  
of the same, as follows:*

- 1           Section 19 of Chapter 15A of the Massachusetts General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
- 2           Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-
- 3           The Board of Higher Education shall institute, in conjunction with the Board of Education, a program to
- 4           allow any public school teacher or paraprofessional presently working in the Commonwealth to attend
- 5           courses at public institutions of Higher Education in the Commonwealth at no tuition cost.